

City Attorney's Wife Facing Fourth Operation

Doctors expressed concern this week over Mrs. C. Douglas Smith, wife of the city attorney, who will undergo next Wednesday her fourth operation within the last 30 days.

Mrs. Smith was injured slightly in an accident in Bellflower last Dec. 10 when she was struck by a truck as she stopped for an accident ahead of her.

The bump she received developed complications which have necessitated three operations at the Torrance Memorial Hospital where she will be confined after next Wednesday.

Mrs. Smith prior to the accident was the Deputy Registrar at the County Health Center on Carson street. Before that she was an office employee at the County Harbor General Hospital.

Three Crashes Injure Eight Same Night

Two pedestrians, Manuel Soto 37, and Frances Ramirez, 37, both of 18101 Amie street, were injured last Thursday evening at 10 p.m. when struck by an auto as they were walking along Hawthorne boulevard near 182nd street, according to police records.

Driver of the car was listed as Dr. Robert C. Shafer, 30, of 3609 Navajo street, Palos Verdes. Soto was treated at Los Angeles County Harbor General hospital for a fractured leg.

In a second accident the same night two persons sustained minor hurts in a two-car collision at 171st street and Crenshaw boulevard at 9:40 p.m. Audrey Brender, 25, 1856 West 204th street and Barbara Vaughan, 24, of New Hampshire avenue, both passengers in an auto driven by Clarence Brender, 29, were treated at Harbor General hospital.

The second car involved was driven by Ralph L. Sims, 26, 21314 Moneta avenue, Keystone, according to police records.

In another two-car collision, also last Thursday evening, on Avalon boulevard south of 273rd street four persons were injured, one seriously. Frances A. Forrest, 52, of 545 East 220th street, who was a passenger in an auto driven by Charles Forrest, 56, of the same address, was treated at Harbor General hospital for head wounds received in the accident.

Also treated at the hospital for minor hurts were Katie Parra, 27, driver of the other auto; Jessie Parra, and Lupe Martinez, 66, all of 1333 McDonald avenue, Wilmington.

Services Set For Veteran

Funeral services for Milburn W. Jackson, 22-year-old Army force flight officer, who was in active duty March 8th, 1945 in Cairo, Egypt, have been scheduled for 2 p.m. Tuesday at Forest Lawn Mortuary.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. June Jackson, 1819 West 132nd street; two brothers, Lt. Gordon Jackson, USMC, who is stationed in North Carolina, and Don Jackson, of Gardena; two sisters, Mrs. Virginia Berg, of Oxnard and Miss Sallie Jackson, of the home address; and an uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Jack K. Kesson, of 1815 182nd street.



MIRACLE WORKERS . . . Torrance Red Cross Geographic Colonel Mrs. Paul Loranger and her majors in the current drive are busy soliciting funds and handling the details necessary in completing the campaign in record time. Pictured are: front row, left to right: Mrs. A. B. Cowie, major; Mrs. Paul Loranger, colonel; and Howard A. Wood; back row, left to right: Mmes. O. A. Kresse, H. L. Greenwood, C. E. Ady, Robert Lenton, and B. J. Michaels, majors. Chapter workers are asking for prompt returns from each worker in the field to facilitate handling funds.

Plans Laid for Five-Week Youth Fund-Raising

Final plans were laid this week for the annual fundraising drive of the Torrance Area evening in the Chamber of Commerce building, announced James Van Dyke, director. Dyck said that the five week drive, which will get under way April 23rd, will be one of the largest ever held by the group and will include two band concerts, a jazz concert, and an amateur contest.

The drive will wind up May 28th with plans calling for a parade that afternoon and the band's third anniversary concert and dance that evening, said Dyck.

Funds for the drive will be used to pay for uniforms, instruments and operating expenses.

Members of the board of directors include E. L. Pollock, president; Dr. John W. Beeman, Paul Bischoff, Ernest Goff, Orville Balcom, Abe Rader and Forrest Meyers.

Planners Want 'Proof' Before Taking Action

The City Council slapped a "No Action" sticker on a plan to subdivide a tract of land east of the present multi-million dollar apartment project along Hollywood Parkway until someone decides "who owns what," according to John Patrick, secretary of the city planning commission.

One letter to the commission, bearing the signature of Charles E. Kenner, an official of the Avalon Corporation, stated that he was buying the property from Rudolph Mayer for \$600,000. He also stated that the deal went into escrow Jan. 25 and furnished Patrick with an escrow number. His letter claimed the deal with Mayer, developer of the apartment project, was to close April 19.

Mayer, on the other hand, denied via a letter to the commission, that any sale to Kenner had been agreed upon, and added that "we still own approximately 600 lots in Hollywood Riviera."

Patrick said that any action to approve plans for slicing the tract into 356 lots would be withheld until Mayer or Kenner filed proof of ownership.

The letter from Kenner stated: "Under a subsequent escrow agreement the Palos Verdes Investment Company will acquire all of this property except the prospective tract 15853, which will contain some 363 lots. These residential lots are under another escrow for their sale when the map is ready for recordation."

The proposed new subdivision is bounded on the south by the Palos Verdes city limits, on the west by Calle Mayor and on the north and east by Via Monte D'Oro, being directly east of the million-dollar apartment project now under construction.

Kenner was associated with the Avalon Corporation and other firms in development of tract 10806, immediately to the east of Via Monte D'Oro.

TWO FOREIGN STUDENTS ADDRESS ROTARY CLUB

Torrance's Rotary Club is following the plans outlined in the organization's friendship-primer to build a better understanding between countries and cement international relations.

The club's blueprint for removing some of the rough edges from a world peace plan, is to bring to this country a pair of foreign students, sponsor their education here, and then allow them to return to their home country with their own impressions of America.

Last Thursday evening the club's two "protoges," Eddie Sin, 22-year-old Chinese youth, and a brilliant 20-year-old student from the Netherlands, Freddie Chel, told of some of their impressions of this country and answered questions from the audience.

Dubbed "Eddie" in place of his Chinese name, Cho-pui, by American soldiers for whom he served as an interpreter during the war, Sin told the group gathered at the Woman's Club:

"Your America is great because here great transportation system and communication set-up allows her to let her left hand know what her right hand is doing. I hope to go back to China and put into use some of the transportation principles practiced in this country. Perhaps then my country will become as great as America."

The Dutch youth proved his adeptness in his chosen field (political science) by the manner in which he demonstrated tact in answering such pointed questions from the audience as: "Does Java want her independence?"

The youthful Chinese student, who made his second appearance at the local club, and Chel are sophomores at George Pepperdine College. Chel told the group he thought that Dutch students were more serious minded than American teenagers. He believed that this was true even before the war which exposed the nakedness of life to them all.

Like all students his age, Chel speaks German, French, English and of course, his native Dutch. Two months ago, Vladimir Tejtek, 15, of Prague, Czechoslovakia, and Archie MacCauley of Vancouver, Canada, two other exchange students were interviewed at the Torrance Rotary Club by President Hugh Tiner of Pepperdine College.

President Tiner, who heads the Rotary program to encourage the sponsorship of students from foreign countries, states that Rotary district 107 is now sponsoring 40 students and that throughout the nation over 20,000 students from practically every country on the globe are attending American universities

and colleges through contributions made by various Rotary clubs in the U.S.A.

Last week's program was under the chairmanship of Joseph G. Arnold, chairman of the International Service Committee, who served as moderator for the evening and introduced the two visitors.

Manhattan High School Ready in Year is Claim

With the construction of the new \$1,000,000 Mira Costa High School in Manhattan Beach, a possible addition to the Bay League circuit, assured by a state allocation of \$688,091, the 22-classroom structure will be ready for use within a year, according to W. K. Cobb, superintendent of schools announced this week.

Lloyd Waller, former principal of Torrance High School, will be the principal of the new school. Designed as a four-year school the building will be a branch of Redondo Union high school and will be at Pacific Coast Highway and Gould Lane. It will serve 600 to 700 students in Manhattan and Hermosa Beach.

City Drops Suit Against Local Dairy Operator

Action by the city seeking a temporary injunction against A. M. Bernard, dairyman, was dismissed without prejudice at a hearing in the superior court recently, according to City Attorney C. Douglas Smith.

The suit, which asked that Bernard be restrained from blocking water drainage on Casimir avenue at 171 street in the Torrance Manor district, was dropped on the defendant's promise that a dike which was purportedly impeding the flow, be opened.

Bernard's attorney informed Smith that the dairyman, whose property abuts the tract, would keep the drainage flow free. A restraining order had been issued against Bernard last year. The four-foot-high earthen dike, Smith stated, had prevented the natural flow of water from the development into the Nigger Slough, causing streets in the area to flood during rainy weather.

High School Students Offered Advice on Choice of Career

"Choosing a Career and How" will be the subject of a speech by Dr. J. Gustaf White, head of the Veterans Rehabilitation Division of the State Department of Education and author of a number of books on vocational guidance, when he addresses the students at Torrance High School this morning.

The talk is scheduled as part of the Second Annual Career Day being held at the high school today.

Following Dr. White's talk, the students will separate into individual groups to attend one of 40 conferences to be held in the morning and again in the afternoon. Each conference will be led by a specialist in a business or professional field.

Members of the faculty will entertain the guest speakers at luncheon.

Among those who will conduct conferences today are: Amby Schindler, athletic coaching; A. Daniel, architecture; Emma Roberts, beauty operator

and barber; C. V. Jones, buying; R. M. House, chemist and bacteriology; G. H. Rothe, dairying; Dr. H. A. Wood, doctor; George Moon, drama; Elizabeth Franklin, drawing and design; H. P. Dotson, electrician; Peter King, fishing; Roy Metcalf, forestry; R. M. Fjeldstad, general office work; Dorothy H. Jamieson, library and literature; Jack Moore, machinist; Hugh Sherief, mortician; A. Vazzana, music; Gladys Pearce, nursing; Roy Wolford, photography; Mary Jane Knettle, secretarial; Jeanette Smalley, teaching physical education; and George Thatcher, welding.

Those who will address the afternoon conference include:

Dean Sears, banking; Robert Deininger, bookkeeping; Guy Sievert, ceramics; C. B. Bagnall, contractors and building trade; E. T. Rickard, dancing; Amby Schindler, athletic coaching; Elizabeth Franklin, drawing and design; Carl Warner, engineering; Roy Metcalf, farming; R. M. Fjeldstad, general office work; Judge Otto B. Willett, lawyer; Jack Moore, machinist; Reed Parkin, management; Dorothy Cameron, medical technician; A. Vazzana, music; Gladys Pearce, nursing; Roy Wolford, photography; A. Truanel, poultry and stock; Norman Master son, radio announcing; Mary Jane Knettle, secretarial; J. H. Hull, general teaching; A. Tuck, welfare work.

El Camino Lists Torrance Fourth

Torrance's student representation at El Camino College this week reached fourth place compared with that of near-by communities, according to figures released this week by the college.

Redondo leads with a registration of 296 students, Hawthorne places second with 278, Hermosa Beach is third with 259, Torrance is fourth with a representation of 233 and is followed by Gardena, 224, and Manhattan Beach, 149.

Total registration for the Fall, 1948-49 is 2459, as compared with the Fall 1947-48 when school records showed 1107 students as the total enrollment. Veterans enrolled under G. I. Bills jumped from 398 in the Fall of 1948 to 435 in the Spring of 1949.

Hospital Cases

Residents of Torrance, Lomita, Harbor City and other nearby areas who were listed as patients at the Torrance Memorial Hospital during the past week include:

Mrs. Wanda Eggbraaten, 1528 W. 206th st.
Miss Eileen Gilbert, 917 Crenshaw Blvd.
Mrs. Peggy Klepper, 1566 W. 204th st.
John Odell, 1640 W. 216th st.
George Reareck, 1622 1/2, Carson st.
Mrs. Irene Smith, 1807 Abalone ave.
Manuel Soto, 18101 Amie st.
Jack C. Wiley, 1815 Pacific Coast highway.

"TELEVISION FACTS"

FACTS YOU SHOULD KNOW - IF YOU ARE BUYING OR OWN A TELEVISION SET

By Phil Gibson

It's A Fact—

While we don't believe in the "TOLD YOU SO" theory . . . we can not help but remind you that some weeks ago we said in this column that there would be no major price break in television sets. Certainly events have proved that we were right . . . and we were only right because we were in a position to know.

It's A Fact—

That General Electric is coming out with a new model as announced by its President Wilson . . . but it is a 17 tube set to sell for about \$249 as compared with GE's present (and future) 24 tube set which is selling and will continue to sell at \$335.

It's A Fact—

Just like you can buy a plain radio set at all kinds of prices dependent upon the size, cabinet and quality of manufacturer . . . so it is with television. You can get 'em for about \$100 and if you like, you can go as high as two thousand bucks.

Personally we don't know any folks who would be satisfied permanently with a hundred buck set or foolish enough to cough up two thousand round men for one . . . especially when GE puts out a big television set that will do everything but rock the children to sleep . . . and it might do that for only six hundred or so!

It's A Fact—

Did you see our own C. T. (Judge) Rippey, past president of the local C. of C. on channel 4 Television last Sunday night at eight? On this special program, "Editor's Round-Table," brother Rippey came through fighting for Torrance with flying colors. We were proud of you C. T. Atta boy!

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